

	Facts on Children Tempe	
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- Φ Just over 31,400 children under the age of 18 resident in Tempe. 9,704 of these children were under the age of 5.
- Φ Of the five most populous cities in the East Valley, Tempe has the highest rate of children living in poverty (*see graphic on page 9*).
- Φ Rates of children belonging to minority populations have increased over the past twenty-five years in the Tempe Elementary School District (TD#3) (*see graphic on page 10*).
- Φ While the total enrollment of children attending TD#3 has only increased by 3% in the past ten years, rates for all minority populations have increased by as much as 82%, while the total non-minority population has decreased by 35% (*see graphic on page 11*).
- Φ In addition to increase diversity, more Tempe families are speaking more languages other than English in their homes (*see graphic on page 12*).
- Φ Children living in poverty are clustered within the Tempe community (*see graphic on page 13*).
- Φ From 1987 to the present, the free/reduced lunch rate has increased from 22.8% to 55% (*see graphic on page 14*).
- Φ Approximately 11% of Tempe students are enrolled in Special Education (*see graphics on page 15 and 16*).
- Φ There are 2,013 students in private schools in Tempe and 1,899 students enrolled in charter schools in Tempe. It is not known in what city these students reside.